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AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE

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INFO AMEMBASSY BONN

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AMEMBASSY CARACAS

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY LAGOS

AMEMBASSY LA PAZ

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AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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FOR EMBASSY CAPE TOWN

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, SF, WA

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: APPROACH IN CAPITALS OF SECURITY

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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1. DURING CONTACT GROUP MEETING APRIL 6 (SEPTEL-NOTAL),
WE SUGGESTED THE UTILITY OF COORDINATED WESTERN FIVE
APPROACHES TO HOST GOVERNMENTS IN CAPITALS OF SECURITY
COUNCIL MEMBERS (REFTEL). WE EXPLAINED THAT THE

PURPOSE OF THE APPROACHES WOULD BE TO ENCOURAGE SUPPORT FOR THE WESTERN FIVE PROPOSAL ON NAMIBIA IN ADVANCE OF OUR CALLING FOR A SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING. THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CONTACT GROUP READILY AGREED THAT SUCH APPROACHES WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND SHOULD BE MADE EARLY IN THE WEEK OF APRIL 10. THE GROUP FELT, HOWEVER, THAT APPROACHES NEED BE MADE ONLY IN THOSE CAPITALS WHICH HAVE NOT ALREADY BEEN FORMALLY CONTACTED BY THE FIVE REGARDING NAMIBIA: NAMELY, CARACAS, KUWAIT, LA PAZ, MOSCOW, PEKING, PORT LOUIS, AND PRAGUE. WE NOTED DEPARTMENTS SUGGESTION THAT APPROACH TO CHINESE BE DONE JUST IN NEW YORK; HOWEVER, OTHER GROUP MEMBERS FELT IT WOULD DO NO HARM AND POSSIBLY SOME GOOD TO MAKE APPROACH IN PEKING.

2. WITH REGARD TO FORMAT OF DEMARCHES, THE BRITISH SUGGESTED THAT A WRITTEN MESSAGE FROM THE WESTERN FIVE GOVERNMENTS TO EACH OF THE GOVERNMENTS BEING APPROACHED MIGHT HAVE MORE IMPACT THAN ORAL TALKING POINTS. THE REST OF GROUP AGREED, AND GROUP WILL MEET AM APRIL 7 TO CONSIDER DRAFT TEXT OF MESSAGE. GROUP'S INITIAL VIEW WAS THAT ONE TEXT COULD BE USED IN ALL CAPITALS EXCEPT PERHAPS MOSCOW AND PEKING, WHICH MIGHT REQUIRE DIFFERENT TEXTS. WE WOULD EXPECT THAT THE MESSAGE USED FOR THE MAJORITY OF CAPITALS WOULD: (A) CONTAIN A DESCRIPTION AND DEFENSE OF THE MAJOR
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ELEMENTS OF THE PROPOSAL; (B) BESPEAK THE IMPORTANCE AND SERIOUSNESS OF OUR INITIATIVE; AND (C) REQUEST SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSAL IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

3. FOR MOSCOW AND PEKING: CONTACT GROUP BELIEVES IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU COULD CONFER WITH WESTERN FIVE COLLEAGUES AND PROVIDE CONTACT GROUP WITH GUIDANCE ON KIND OF APPROACH IN YOUR CAPITALS WHICH MIGHT BE MOST LIKELY TO ACHIEVE POSITIVE RESULT. GROUP IS INCLINED TO FAVOR SOME APPROACH IN YOUR CAPITALS BUT WISHES GUIDANCE ON USEFULNESS OF THIS, TOO.

4. WE HAVE ALREADY IN NEW YORK PROVIDED ALL MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL WITH COPIES OF WESTERN FIVE PROPOSAL ON NAMIBIA, AND WE ASSUME THAT THEY HAVE SENT THEM TO CAPITALS. IN CASE THEY HAVE NOT, WE ARE REPEATING TEXT OF PROPOSAL TO THOSE ADDRESSEE POSTS WHICH HAVE NOT YET TO OUR KNOWLEDGE RECEIVED IT. LEONARD

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